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Device and method for cryogenically separating a gas mixture				
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US L'Air Liquide, Société Anonyme à Directoire et Conseil de Surveillance pour l'Etude et l'Exploitation des Procédés Georges Claude				
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11. 🔲	An Information Disclosure Statement	under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.		
12. 🔀	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.			
13. 🔀	A preliminary amendment.			
14.	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.			
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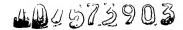
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- 1. A copy of International Publication WO 2005/033600;
- 2. English translation of International Application PCT/FR2004/050450;
- 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- 4. Assignment and cover sheet;
- 5. Preliminary Amendment;
- Transmittal Under 35 USC 371 (PTO Form 1390) Fee Sheet (in duplicate);
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Respectfully submitted,

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